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In re Application of :
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Serial No. unassigned : Group Art Unit: unassigned
Filed: herewith : Examiner: unassigned
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR INTELLIGENT AGENT DECISION MAKING
FOR TACTICAL AERIAL WARFARE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with the above-referenced application. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please amend page 1 of the specification as indicated in the attached Appendix A (Marked-up Copy of Amended Specification). A clean copy of the amendments to the specification is attached as Appendix B (Replacement Page of Amended Specification).

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted to improve the form of the specification as originally filed. The Related Applications Section has been corrected to more appropriately claim priority and continuation status. It is respectfully requested that this Preliminary Amendment be favorably examined and entered in the above-referenced application.

AUTHORIZATION

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for this Amendment, or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 08-0219.

In the event that an extension of time is required, or which may be required in addition to that requested in a petition for an extension of time, the Commissioner is requested to grant a petition for that extension of time which is required to make this response timely and is hereby authorized to charge any fee for such an extension of time or credit any overpayment for an extension of time to deposit account no. 08-0219.

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Appendix A
(marked-up copy of amended specification)

Please amend page 1 of the specification as follows:

RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a Continuation of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/277,776, filed on March 29, 1999, which in turn claims priority from U.S. Provisional application number 60/100,863, filed on September 17, 1998, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

09/277,776

Appendix B
(replacement page of amended specification)

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